

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 A tool for versioning and configuration management of object models in a
computing system has a component container for grouping objects to form a
component containing the objects, the objects having properties and associations;
and, a configuration container for grouping the assembled components to form a
configuration. Each component is assigned a version number upon creation
whereupon subsequent versions, if any, of the component are derived directly or
10 indirectly from an earlier version, the objects accessibly isolated within the
assigned component versions except for inter-component associations established
between compatible ones of the objects in separate but compatible components of
the configuration, the associations forming the basis for assembling, managing
and function of the configuration.